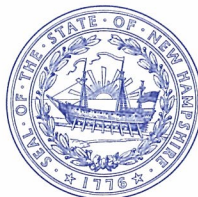


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Re: DT 07-011 FairPoint – Staff Report on Discussions with OCA Regarding Timing and Procedures for Financial Technical Session

Dear Ms. Howland:

By secretarial letter dated May 26, 2009, the Commission directed FairPoint to brief the parties to the pending proceeding regarding financial issues during a technical session to be held no later than June 15, 2009. The Commission instructed that the technical session shall be conducted partly as a public session and partly as a confidential session as necessary, and that Staff shall work with the OCA to coordinate the timing and procedure for the technical session, including the appropriate treatment of confidential information.

Staff conferred with the OCA and it was agreed that the technical session should be held on Tuesday, June 9 at 9:30 a.m. The session should start as a public session and break into confidential session at a time when the non-confidential issues have been exhausted. Staff and OCA agreed the public session should be scheduled for no more than two hours to allow the confidential session to begin by 1:00 p.m. OCA suggested, and Staff agreed, that those on the service list be notified that they must inform the Commission whether they plan to attend the technical session and submit proposed questions for the technical session to FairPoint on or before Friday, June 5. FairPoint should identify on Monday, June 8, which questions will require confidential answers.

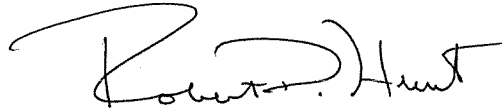
On June 3, 2009, FairPoint informed the Commission that Mr. Giamarino is not available to attend the technical session but Tom Griffin would attend. In Mr. Giamarino's absence, Staff and OCA agreed the Commission should require Lisa Hood, Comptroller, to attend the technical session, preferably in-person, but at least by telephone.

June 2, 2009

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robert D. Hunt". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "R" and a distinct "H".

Robert D. Hunt
Staff Attorney/Hearings Examiner

cc: Service list